

Chicago Housing Authority
Board of Commissioners Public Session
November 20, 2012
Pomeroy Senior Apartments – 5650 N. Kenmore

	Name	Question/Comment	Response
1	William Lawrence Scott III	Mr. Ponce, one of the first meetings I attended I was impressed that you brought students to witness democracy in action. Last month, I spoke about CHA youth. I got the opportunity recently to go to the Chicago Board of Education. I would like for CHA to identify more of the student leaders and get student credit for them to start attending City meetings - such as CHA meetings. I would like CHA to send youth to the Presidential Inauguration. We have 100's of good young people and we need to shine the spotlight on them. I am fired up about this, and it gives me something to do.	Thank you for your comment.
2	Francine Washington	[Commissioner] Ponce, I am going to miss you, I love disagreeing with you. I would like to say, Lake Parc is being renovated. I spoke with Sanjiv, I have some concerns. I am not going to go into them now, but I have these concerns. Sanjiv is going to look at this, and then we'll see what happens.	Thank you for your comment.
3	George Blakemon	I live to serve. I don't serve to live. That means I don't serve to get paid. We need good public servants. I am black. I have seen CHA dismantle government housing. I have seen the process of coming back, which never happens. I have seen black leadership be greedy and in cahoots to displace CHA residents. [30 seconds remaining] It says 30 seconds, you didn't say that for everyone else. We always want to silence those who disagree with us. We don't want to be transparent. The constitution says blacks should get all kinds of services. They are letting illegal immigrants come in and displace black people. I am going to walk away, be respectful, and I will be back. You should have a time clock.	Your comment has been received.

4	Tracey Champion	<p>I was going through a hardship, I had to go through Victims Assistance. I want to give thanks to Mary Howard and Eric Garrett and Crystal Palmer. I appreciate you all. They say the system doesn't work - the staff has been great. But we need to rewrite the Victims Assistance system - it's not great and we need to rework it. I want to say thank you to my management, I appreciate you. I appreciate CHA.</p>	<p>Resident Services will meet with Ms. Champion privately to better understand her concerns.</p>
5	Jackie Paige	<p>1) First I would like to say thank you to Mr. Woodyard - I wrote you a letter on an issue, and the issue was resolved by Sydney Jones. You do listen. I appreciate what you said about the homes and your open mindness - it shows that we are listened to. You are open-minded about ABLA homes.</p> <p>2) I am speaking not to say anything against Resident Services, it's about programs in general. When Ms. Howard gave her presentation, the number of people impacted were less than 1%. I am wondering what kind of a system do you have in place to address how money is being used for Resident Services? For rehab you have a formula - do you have something like that for all programs, to show that the programs are reaching residents in a meaningful way?</p>	<p>1) Thank you for your comment.</p> <p>2) Mary Howard's presentation was about youth programming only. The engagement number reflected only the number of opportunities CHA offered youth during the summer of 2012, not all services CHA offers. While there is no specific formula, overall, about 70 percent of CHA's public housing residents are engaged with their providers. The CHA tracks and measures the success of its programs to ensure that residents are impacted in a meaningful way.</p>